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SUBJECT:VISIT OF LEONARD MARKS, CHAIRMAN US ADVISORY

COMMISSION INTERNATIONAL EDUCATIONAL AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS

1. LEONARD MARKS, CHAIRMAN US ADVISORY COMMISSION INTERNATIONAL EDUCATIONAL AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS, PLANS VISIT ADDRESS-SEE POSTS ACCORDING TO ITINERARY GIVEN BELOW, ACCOMPANIED BY COMMISSION MEMBER WILLIAM FRENCH SMITH AND COMMISSION STAFF DIRECTOR WILLIAM WELD. MRS. MARKS AND MRS. SMITH WILL ACCOMPANY AT OWN EXPENSE.

2. DURING COMING YEAR COMMISSION WILL REVIEW PHILOSOPHY AND OPERATIONS OF US EXCHANGE PROGRAMS WITH USSR AND EASTERN EUROPE. PURPOSE OF MARKS/SMITH TRIP, THEREFORE IS TO PROVIDE THEM WITH FIRST-HAND IMPRESSIONS OF EXCHANGE
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ACTIVITIES, PROBLEMS, AND POTENTIALS.

3. MARKS REQUESTS EMBASSIES AND CONGEN ARRANGE PROGRAMS TO HELP HIM FULFILL THIS PURPOSE WHICH WOULD INCLUDE MEETINGS

WITH AS MANY OF THE FOLLOWING AS TIME AND LOCAL CONDITIONS PERMIT:

A. MINISTERS OF CULTURE AND EDUCATION, AND RESPONSIBLE OFFICIALS OF OTHER GOVERNMENT AGENCIES, AND MEMBERS OF THEIR STAFFS INVOLVED WITH US EXCHANGES;

B. LEADERS OF UNIVERSITIES, CULTURAL ORGANIZATIONS, PERFORMING ARTS GROUPS WHO COULD BE EXPECTED TO HAVE VIEWS ON INTERNATIONAL EDUCATIONAL AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS;

C. US OR LOCAL GRANTEEES WHO HAVE PARTICIPATED IN EXCHANGE PROGRAMS;

D. RESIDENT US OR LOCAL BUSINESSMEN, MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES, EDUCATORS OR OTHERS WHO ARE INFORMED OBSERVERS OF US RELATIONS WITH HOST COUNTRY.

WE UNDERSTAND THAT AUGUST IS NOT BEST MONTH FOR SUCH MEETINGS, BUT REQUEST EMBASSIES MAKE WHATEVER ARRANGEMENTS POSSIBLE.

4. ON EXTRA-CURRICULAR SIDE, MARKS' PARTY WOULD LIKE AT LEAST BRIEF EXPOSURE TO REPRESENTATIVE CULTURAL ATTRACTIONS OF EACH CITY VISITED. MRS. MARKS, MRS. SMITH DO NOT WISH ADDRESSEES ORGANIZE SOCIAL FUNCTIONS FOR THEM, BUT WOULD BE INTERESTED IN SEEING EDUCATIONAL OR SOCIAL PROJECTS IF EXPOSURE CAN BE CONVENIENTLY ARRANGED.

5. MARKS IS WASHINGTON ATTORNEY, FORMER DIRECTOR USIA, AND CHAIRMAN INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON COMMUNICATIONS SATELLITES, 1968-69 (WITH RANK OF AMBASSADOR). SMITH IS LOS ANGELES ATTORNEY, CHAIRMAN BOARD OF REGENTS UNIV. OF CALIFORNIA. WELD IS RETIRED FSIO. COMPLETE BIO DATA FOLLOWS.

6. ACTION REQUESTED:

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B. IF SO, RESERVE TWO DOUBLE ROOMS AND ONE SINGLE ROOM AT APPROPRIATE HOTELS;

C. IF POSSIBLE, SEND PROGRAM FOR YOUR POST BY JULY 25.

7. PROPOSED SCHEDULE:

AUG 17 - 7:10 PM ARRIVE LENINGRAD SU 644

AUG 20 - 10:25 AM DEPART LENINGRAD SU 2416
11:35 AM ARRIVE MOSCOW

AUG 24 - 9:22 AM DEPART MOSCOW SU 1771
10:42 AM ARRIVE KIEV

AUG 26 - 11:20 AM DEPART KIEV SU 153
11:55 AM ARRIVE BUCHAREST

AUG 29 - 8:05 AM DEPART BUCHAREST RO 225
11:00 AM ARRIVE WARSAW
AUG 31 - 3:25 PM DEPART WARSAW OK 881
4:30 PM ARRIVE PRAGUE

SEP 2 - 11:15 AM DEPART PRAGUE PA 73

8. FOR MOSCOW AND LENINGRAD: DEPT PLANS TO DESIGNATE MARKS AND SMITH AS MEMBERS OF OFFICIAL DELEGATION TO OPENING OF METROPOLITAN MUSEUM EXHIBITION AUGUST 21. (SEPTTEL FOLLOWS ON FULL COMPOSITION OF DELEGATION AND RELATED MATTERS.) WE ASSUME THEREFORE THAT DELEGATION WILL BE GUESTS OF USSR AND THAT SOVIETS WILL MAKE HOTEL RESERVATIONS MOSCOW, LENINGRAD, AND KIEV. EMBASSY SHOULD HOWEVER MAKE RESERVATIONS FOR WELD. INGERSOLL

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